MASTER FILE

May 3, 1999

DSSD CENSUS 2000 PROCEDURES AND OPERATIONS MEMORANDUM SERIES R-9

MEMORANDUM FOR	Robert W. Marx Chief, Geography Division
From:	Howard Hogan Chief, Decennial Statistical Studies Division
Prepared by:	Peter P. Davis Sample Design Team, Decennial Statistical Studies Division
Subject:	Amendment to Census 2000 Specifications for Block Cluster Formation–Reissue

This memorandum is being reissued for inclusion in the official *DSSD Census 2000 Procedures and Operations Memorandum Series*. All text in the version of this memorandum distributed on March 2, 1999 remains the same in this version.

Make two changes to the *Census 2000 Specifications for Block Cluster Formation*. They are as follows:

1. MAF Housing Units with a status of 11, unable to locate, have been removed as a valid housing unit code for block clustering. See Section IV., part A., number 1.

2. A one line addition has been made to the block cluster algorithm:

    For each partition, if the calculated cluster target is more than 25 housing units, then set the cluster target equal to 30 and the desired average for the county, usually 30 housing units, set it equal to 40. See section IV., part C., number 1a.

We will reissue the specifications following production.

cc: DSSD Census 2000 Memorandum Series Distribution List
      PES Implementation Team
      Statistical Design Team Leaders
      Sample Design Team
      C. Hantman   (GEO), R. Ruiz   (GEO)
      S. Holt   (GEO), K. Todd   (GEO)